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I. POLICY

Youth shall be screened for ectoparasitic infestation at the time of admission. Youth may be treated with a delousing product at the discretion of the registered nurse and primary health care provider.

II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to group homes, detention centers, and youth development centers.

LIMITED APPLICABILITY

In day treatment programs, infected youth shall be released to the parent for appropriate medical treatment. A medical release from an attending physician may be required for readmission into the program. Environmental treatment may be administered in accordance with protocol approved by the Medical Director.

III. DEFINITIONS

Refer to Chapter 400.

IV. PROCEDURES

- A. Upon admission the youth shall be screened by staff for ectoparasite infestation according to protocol approved by the Medical Director.
- B. The facility nurse or primary health care provider shall be consulted if results of screening are questionable.
- C. Youth shall be questioned concerning allergies to delousing ingredients or previous delousing treatments prior to the application of any delousing product.
- D. Females shall be screened for pregnancy using a urine test prior to the application of any delousing product.

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- E. De-lousing is performed per the Medical Director's admission order. All other ectoparasite treatments shall be performed per primary health care provider's order. Package instructions shall be followed.
- F. If environmental treatment is needed, all clothing and linen shall be carefully removed and laundered in hot, soapy water, and dried in the dryer.
- G. Upholstered furniture and rugs may be sprayed with a product designed for that use.
- H. Youth exposed shall be treated with a pediculicide according to primary health care provider's orders.
- I. A youth shall be exempt from this treatment if any of the following conditions are present;
 - 1. Documented allergy to previous delousing ingredients or precautions as listed by manufacturer;
 - 2. Skin rash over a significant portion of the body;
 - 3. Open lesions (a small open lesion may be covered with an occlusive/waterproof bandage.); or
 - 4. Pregnancy (a urine test shall be given prior to treatment).
- J. A careful inspection of the youth's hair and body for lice shall be done for any youth not treated due to any of the previously stated conditions.
- K. Treatment procedures for ectoparasite control beyond those stated above shall require advance approval by the Medical Director or designee.

V. MONITORING MECHANISM

Monitoring shall be accomplished by the Registered Nurse, Superintendent, and Medical Director or designee.